

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with postage prepaid as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date indicated below.

Signature of Person Mailing Paper or Fee

Date of Signature

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of

ERNST GORENFLO, ET AL.

On

ADJUSTABLE ANTIVIBRATION

SYSTEM, IN PARTICULAR FOR

A HAND-HELD WORK

MACHINE

Serial No.: 10/617,404

Filed on: July 9, 2003

Description:

Descr

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

## Dear Sirs:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the references set forth below and listed on the attached form PTO/SB/08A are being brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. Copies of the cited references are enclosed.

U.S. Patent No	Entitled	<u>Dated</u>
4,141,143	Chain Saw Handle and Vibration Isolation System	02/27/1979
5,361,500	De-Vibration Element	11/08/1994

Foreign Patent No.	Country	<u>Dated</u>
DE 2 043 708 A	Germany	03/02/1972
DE 29 11 498 A1	Germany	10/02/1980
DE 39 31 221 A1	Germany	04/05/1990
DE 43 34 924 A1	Germany	04/21/1994

This statement is not to be interpreted as a representation that the cited publications are material, that an exhaustive search has been conducted, or that no other relevant information exists. Nor shall the citation of any publication herein be construed *per se* as a representation that such a publication is prior art. Moreover, the Applicant understands that the Examiner is to make an independent evaluation of the cited information.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner indicate consideration of the cited references by returning a copy of the attached form PTO/SB/08A with initials or other appropriate marks.

No fees are considered to be due; however, if it is determined that payment of a fee is required, please charge our deposit account No. 13-0235.

Respectfully submitted,

Micholas J. Tuccillo, Esq.

Attorney for Applicant(s)

Registration No. 44,322

McCORMICK, PAULDING & HUBER LLP CityPlace II, 185 Asylum Street Hartford, Connecticut 06103-4102 Tel. (860) 549-5290 # TRADEMAR

Sheet

US-

PTO/SB/08a (06-03)

Approved for use through 07/31/2003. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

nder the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number. Complete if Known Substitute for form 1449A/PTO Application Number 10/617,404 Filing Date INFORMATION DISCLOSURE July 9, 2003 First Named Inventor **ERNST GORENFLO** STATEMENT BY APPLICANT Art Unit Examiner Name (Use as many sheets as necessary Attorney Docket Number 3663-37

**U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS** Examiner **Document Number** Publication Date Name of Patentee or Pages, Columns, Lines, Where MM-DD-YYYY Initials\* No. Applicant of Cited Document Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear Number-Kind Code<sup>2 (# known)</sup> <sup>US-</sup> 4,141,143 Hirschkoff et al. 02-27-1979 <sup>US-</sup> 5,361,500 Naslund et al. 11-08-1994 ÜS. ÚS-บร-US-US-US-US US-US US US-ÚS-US-US-US-

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Foreign Patent Document  Country Code <sup>3</sup> Number <sup>4</sup> Kind Code <sup>5</sup> (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T <sup>6</sup>	
		DE 2 043 708 A	03-02-1972	Notaras et al.			
		DE 29 11 498 A1	10-02-1980	Stihl			
		DE 39 31 221 A1	04-05-1990	Electrolux			
		DE 43 34 924 A1	04-21-1994	Kioritz Corp.			

Examiner	Date	
Signature	Considered	

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. 1 Applican s unique citation designation number (optional). 2 See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. 3 Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). 4 For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. 5 Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. 6 Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.